

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
TAX POLICY**

Wednesday, August 29, 2007

10:30 A.M.

Room 519 House Office Building

Chairman Bieda called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Bieda, Farrah, Robert Jones, Mayes, Meisner, Melton, Sheltroun, Young, Meltzer, Sheen, Steil, Calley. (12/17)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Reps. Condino, Warren, Pastor, Palmer, Wenke. (5/17)

Representative Farrah moved to adopt the minutes from the August 8, 2007 meeting. There being no objection, the minutes were approved.

Representative Robert Jones moved to excuse absent members. There being no objection, absent members were excused.

Chairman Bieda laid **HB 5104** before the committee.

HB 5104	Bieda	Business tax; other; business income tax base; revise to account for deferred liabilities.
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Scott Schrager, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5104**.

Stacy Sprinkle, representing Verizon, testified before the committee in support of **HB 5104**.

Ron Orlando and **Tom Donnelly**, representing Comcast, testified before the committee in support of **HB 5104**.

Jacie Hadden, representing Consumers Energy, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5104** but did not wish to speak.

John Jones, representing Sprint, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5104** but did not wish to speak.

Ellen Hoekstra, representing Google, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5104** but did not wish to speak.

Dan Smith, representing the Detroit Chamber of Commerce, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5104** but did not wish to speak.

Tricia Kinley, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5104** but did not wish to speak.

Winston Feeheley, representing DTE Energy, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5104** but did not wish to speak.

Jim Murray, representing AT&T, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5104** but did not wish to speak.

Representative Farrah moved to adopt the **(H-2) substitute** to **HB 5104**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Bieda, Farrah, Robert Jones, Mayes, Meisner, Melton, Sheltroun, Young, Meltzer, Sheen, Steil, Calley. (12/17)

NAYS: None. (0/17)

PASS: None. (0/17)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Mayes moved to report **HB 5104** as an **(H-2) substitute** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Bieda, Farrah, Robert Jones, Mayes, Meisner, Melton, Sheltroun, Young, Meltzer, Sheen, Steil, Calley. (12/17)

NAYS: None. (0/17)

PASS: None. (0/17)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

There being no further business before the committee, **Chairman Bieda** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 11:18 a.m.

Representative Steve Bieda, Chair

Eric Esch, Committee Clerk (517) 373-0070